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SUBJECT: FORMER CUBINT CHIEF, DAGOBERTO RODRIGUEZ BARRERA, NAMED NEW VICE-MINISTER OF EXTERIOR RELATIONS OF CUBA.

11. (SBU) The Embassy of Switzerland received a diplomatic note dated June 26, 2008 announcing that former Cubint chief, Dagoberto Rodriguez Barrera, has been chosen as the new Vice-Minister of foreign relations of Cuba, replacing Eumelio Caballero Rodriguez who was named Ambassador to Algeria. Rodriguez'responsibilities include North America, Europe, consular issues, and the expatriate Cuban community. PARMLY